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REVIEWS

Sturgis's The Myxomycetes and Fungi of Colorado.*

This paper is No. 1 of a series by Ellsworth Bethel and William C. Sturgis, entitled "The Myxomycetes and Fungi of Colorado." In the series it is intended to cover the mycological flora of Colorado, including the Rocky Mountain region, which hitherto has been largely neglected by mycologists. In the present paper nearly one hundred species and varieties of Myxomycetes are described. Preceding the descriptions are brief notes on life history, collecting and preservation, microscopic examination, and literature. It is intended that the paper may serve as a beginner's guide, and the key is based upon the synopsis of the orders and genera in Lister's *Monograph of the Mycetozoa*.

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Hanausek's Microscopy of Technical Products†

This work is the result of the many years of labor of the distinguished expert, investigator and teacher, Dr. Hanausek, analyst of the Governmental Food Laboratory at Vienna. After a brief introduction on the use of the microscope and microchemical reagents, the authors discuss in nine chapters the following commercial products: (1) starch and inulin; (2) vegetable fibers, under which heading attention is also given to the examination of paper; (3) animal and mineral fibers and textile fabrics; (4) stems and roots; (5) leaves; (6) flowers; (7) fruits and seeds; (8) teeth, bone and horn; (9) microchemical analysis for various acids and minerals.

The book is designed as a guide to the student entering the field of technical microscopy and aims to familiarize him with the methods of investigation and to prepare him for independent work. It teaches the technical worker how to investigate microscopically commercial raw materials with reference to their com-

* Sturgis, William C. The Myxomycetes of Colorado. Colorado Coll. Publication. Gen. Ser. No. 30. Sci. Ser. 12: 1-43. Colorado Springs, Colo., 1907.

† Hanausek, T. F. The Microscopy of Technical Products. Revised and translated by Andrew L. Winton, with the collaboration of Kate G. Barber. Pp. xii + 471. f. 1-276. John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1907. \$5.00.